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Calendar

Transatlantic Relations

The German ambassador to the United States visits campus for a speech. Klaus Scharioth, Germany's highest representative to the U.S., will give a talk about "Transatlantic Relations in the New Decade" at 1:15 p.m. in the LBJ Library Brown Room.

What does Churchill read?

A visiting historian from Drew University delivers a lecture titled "Winston Churchill's Public Library" to explore Churchill's political career by analyzing the books he read. The lecture is at the Harry Ransom Center from 7 to 8 p.m.

Zoolander Quote-Along

The audience is encouraged to chime in with memorable quotes from this comedy, featuring Ben Stiller as the male model Derek Zoolander. The screening at Alamo Drafthouse Downtown is at 7 p.m. and tickets start at \$10.

Forty Acres Best DJ Showcase

The Music and Entertainment hosts a night of music and dancing as student DJs compete for a chance to perform at this year's Forty Acres Fest. The Showcase is free with a UT ID and starts is at 7 p.m. in the Texas Union Ballroom.

Today in history

In 1988

Benazir Bhutto was sworn in as the Prime Minister of Pakistan, becoming the first woman to head a Muslim nation.

Campus Watch

Next to godliness

Batts Hall, #3 South Mall
Criminal Mischief: A UT staff member reported on several occasions he had discovered the first floor men's restroom had been trashed out. The staff member stated liquid soap, water and wet paper towels had been thrown onto the floors, into several stalls as well as onto several walls. The staff member described observing two unidentified subjects exiting the restroom prior to discovery. Reported on: Tuesday, at 1:21 p.m.



Quote to note

"I like it because I know how to swim it. I know how to race it. I can hold my speed at it. You [also] get to breathe every stroke, which is nice. I like to breathe."

— **Laura Sogar**
Sophomore swimmer

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A&M System rule spurs criticism from journalists

By Matthew Stottlemyre
The Daily Texan

A Texas A&M University System regulation may limit professors' ability to teach about the Texas Public Information Act, according to several UT journalism professors.

The regulation, which has existed since the 1990s, prohibits A&M System employees, including professors, from making public information requests within the A&M

System while acting in their official capacity as System employees. The regulation also prohibits instructors from requiring students to make public information requests.

The regulation gained national media attention when the Texas A&M System's counsel wrote a letter to Tarleton State University's president concerning open records requests submitted to the System. The counsel's letter responded to an inquiry by a Tar-

leton State faculty member about whether the member would be allowed to require students to file public information requests.

"The answer to the inquiry is no," wrote general counsel Andrew Strong in the Oct. 27 letter.

Located in Stephenville, Tarleton is one of the universities within the A&M System, and Tarleton professors fall under the same regulations as any employee of the A&M System.

The act guarantees access to public information for any individual and prohibits limiting available information based on a requestor's occupation. Strong said the System continues to respond to public information requests in accordance with Texas law. He added that the System has not yet disciplined any instructors for violating the

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Thomas Allison | Daily Texan Staff

Sarah Carswell, a member of human rights organization jella pelea!, leads a chant against proposed budget cuts before students and faculty marched into the Tower during a walkout Wednesday morning.

STUDENTS SPEAK RALLY



Andrew Torrey | Daily Texan Staff

Mexican American Studies senior Bernardino Villasenor protests from the steps of the Tower lobby.

Protestors stage walkout to fight proposed slashes to ethnic studies

By Audrey White
& Collin Eaton
Daily Texan Staff

One hundred and fifty students stormed the halls of the Gebauer liberal arts building on Wednesday and fired questions at Senior Associate Dean Richard Flores about \$1 million in suggested cuts to 15 UT centers and institutes announced in November.

They had already marched across the West Mall and into the Main Building, the message of their signs and chants ranging from cries for relief to accusations of racism. The Centers for Latin American, Mexican American, Middle Eastern and African American studies bear the brunt of the proposed cuts. Many students at the rally said the centers attracted them to the University and offered a primary out-

let for research, scholarships and identity exploration.

"Ultimately my decision to go to graduate school was linked to the experiences that I had as an undergraduate and the support I received from the Center for African and African American Studies," said Courtney Morris, an anthropology graduate student. "I was exposed to opportunities that I wouldn't have had without a center like that."

Morris was one of several students who spoke at the rally, hosted by campus activist organization jella pelea! and The Students Speak, an activist group formed in response to the recommendations. She said she was there to protest a recommendation to reduce college funds by 40 percent in the

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FAC reopens third floor, upgrades safety systems

By Ahsika Sanders
Daily Texan Staff

Construction has left campus walkways and entire floors of the Flawn Academic Center blocked off since summer 2009, and officials say the disruptions will not end until next July.

A construction crew is in the process of upgrading fire alarm and communication systems, as well as renovating the third and fourth floors to make room for

new office space.

Between 25 and 40 construction workers are on site five days a week and at night to minimize noise and disruptions, said Bob Rawski, regional program manager for the UT System. He said there were some fire and safety improvements that they needed to make to bring the building up to code.

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Face AIDS group raises funds with free testing

By Allie Kolechta
Daily Texan Staff

Students at UT Austin can help fight AIDS and support those suffering globally, said a representative from Face AIDS in the Union on Wednesday.

UT's Bernard and Audre Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice hosted UT's fourth annual World AIDS Day Conference, which included multiple panels to discuss the AIDS pandemic in terms of policy, ac-

tivism and global health. In the same building, the CARE Program and Face AIDS hosted free HIV testing.

For each person tested, the CARE Program will donate \$5 to subsistence farmers in Rwanda to start sustainable businesses, said Naveen Pattisapu, president of the Austin chapter of Face AIDS and a liberal arts and natural sciences senior.

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Jewish Center celebrates Hanukkah

By Allison Harris
Daily Texan Staff

The Rohr Chabad Jewish Center at the University lit a 9-foot-tall menorah in front of a crowd of about 200 people to celebrate the first night of Hanukkah on Wednesday.

The eight-day holiday commemorates the rededication of the Holy Temple by the Maccabees after their victory over the Seleucid Empire in the second century

B.C. Rabbi Zev Johnson, co-director of Rohr Chabad, said the center would cooperate with Chabad of Austin to light a menorah at the state capitol today.

"There will be literally thousands of lightings of menorahs taking place at the same time," Johnson said.

The holiday celebrates the miracle of a one-day oil supply used to rededicate the Temple lasting eight days. After an introductory speech

by Johnson, Michelle Arbov, president of the Chabad Jewish Student Organization, lit the shimash candle at the center of the menorah.

Johnson led traditional blessings in Hebrew and students sang "Hanukkah, oh Hanukkah" after Arbov lit the candles. Center member Ben Freed, a Middle Eastern Studies and journalism junior, gave a special

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Finance junior Jonathan Bakhshian lights the first candle on the Rohr Chabad Jewish Center's 9-foot tall menorah to celebrate the first night of Hanukkah.

Jeff Heimsath
Daily Texan Staff



Fareed Khan | Associated Press

A Pakistani man reads a document on a television regarding WikiLeaks memos about Pakistan's nuclear program.

WikiLeaks stirs up doubts about Pakistan's policies

By Chris Brummitt
The Associated Press

ISLAMABAD — Once-secret U.S. diplomatic memos reveal Western concerns that Islamist militants might get access to Pakistan's nuclear material and American skepticism that Islamabad will sever ties to Taliban factions fighting in Afghanistan.

They also show U.S. doubts over the abilities of the weak, unpopular civilian government. The army chief is shown to be an important behind-the-scenes political player who once talked about ousting President Asif Ali Zardari, who himself is said to have expressed

concern the military might "take me out."

The revelations were published Tuesday by newspapers working together with WikiLeaks, which obtained more than 250,000 leaked American diplomatic files from missions around the world. Britain's the Guardian newspaper published many of them on its website.

A top Pakistani diplomat said the leaks would hurt ties between Islamabad and other nations.

"You have built them over the years and all of a sudden something gets out — it's top secret, it's classified, it harms the relationship," Wajid Shamsul Hasan, Pakistan's am-

bassador to Britain, told the BBC.

The U.S. ambassador to Pakistan has already expressed his regret over the leaks.

In one memo, Prime Minister Gilani is quoted as saying he does not object to U.S. drone attacks against militant targets in the northwest — the opposite of what he and other top officials say in public, where they oppose them to avoid domestic criticism.

"I don't care if they do it as long as they get the right people. We'll protest in the National Assembly and then ignore it," Gilani is quoted as telling then-U.S. Ambassador Anne Patterson in August 2008.

Illinois senate approves same-sex civil union bill

By Carla K. Johnson
& Christopher Wills
The Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. — Gay rights advocates celebrated Wednesday as the Illinois Legislature voted to legalize civil unions, although some wondered whether the measure that the governor is expected to sign will make it easier or harder to someday win approval of same-sex marriage.

The state Senate approved the legislation 32-24, sending it to Democratic Gov. Pat Quinn. It passed despite complaints from some senators that civil unions threaten the sanctity of marriage or increase the cost of doing business in Illinois.

After Quinn signs the measure, gay and lesbian couples will be able to get official recognition from the state and gain many of the rights that accompany marriage — the power to decide medical treatment for an ailing partner,

"The ultimate goal is not to be separate, but equal."

— Jacob Meister
President of Civil Rights Agenda

for instance. Illinois law will continue to limit marriage to one man and woman, and the federal government won't recognize the civil unions at all.

Some supporters of civil unions in Illinois hope they'll be a step closer to full marriage.

"The ultimate goal is not to be separate, but equal," said Jacob Meister, president of The Civil Rights Agenda, a gay rights organization.

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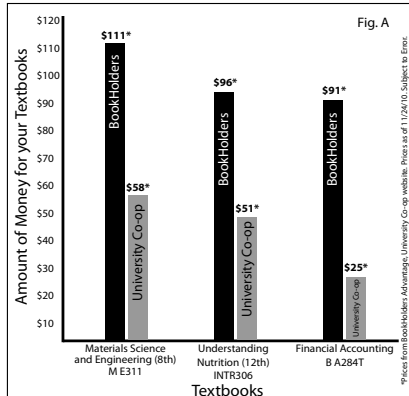
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BookHolders Representative

Here's the deal. At the end of every semester, students trek all the way down to their campus bookstore to go and sell their books for some measly pocket change. And what's most disparaging, is that those books most likely cost you a couple hundred dollars.

So no matter how you are looking at selling textbooks you are basically getting ripped off. It's not like students aren't broke already. And with the dismal state of the economy, it makes it harder and harder for students and their parents to afford textbooks especially with such a small reimbursement at the end

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price either with cash or their Advantage Program. Please see Fig. A to show the price comparison the local Austin stores.

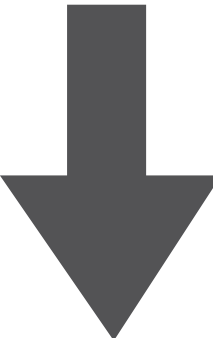
BookHolders offers up to three times more money for your textbooks. This is an impressive statement but as you can see in the chart to the left, it is quite true. CEO and Founder, John Verde stated that "it is the goal of the company to make sure that students get the most money back for their books with the most convenience possible, which is why the Advantage Program was created." The Advantage Program is basically a sell service where BookHolders sells students' books for the up to 3x more money. And if you sell your books on the internet, Advantage takes out all the hassle of it, the packing, shipping, long wait times and the time and expense necessary to ship, all the while yielding high buyback prices for you the student.

The newly opened BookHolders, located on the ground level of Dobie Mall offers rental books, along with the buy and sell services. And as a grand opening spectacular, if you sell your books to BookHolders, you'll be automatically entered to win a full year of free textbooks, \$1,000 cash, an iPod touch and many more prizes.



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QUOTES TO NOTE:

Liberal arts budget cuts:

“If you are recruiting these students and then you tell them that their heritage and the teaching of that heritage is not important, it sends all of us a mixed message.”
— African studies senior Kaye Crawford, criticizing recommended budget cuts to centers that focus on ethnic and women’s & gender studies, according to the Austin American-Statesman.

“At this point, these are only recommendations.”
— Liberal Arts Council President Carl D. Thorne-Thomson in an e-mail to students, informing them that the council is working to involve students in the budget cut process by holding open forums and increasing conversations with students.

Freedom of Information in higher education:

“On its face this appears to be aimed at preventing journalism professors from teaching future journalists how the Texas Public Information Act can, and should be, used as a [system of] checks and balances....”
— Keith Elkins, executive director of the Freedom of Information Foundation of Texas, criticizing a Texas A&M system rule that stipulates a faculty member cannot ask students to file a public information request to the university, according to the Houston Chronicle.

“It does not prevent [students] from getting public information. It specified in a very, very narrowly drawn manner [the] way they can do so.”
— A&M University System spokesman Rod Davis, arguing that students can still individually file requests, according to the Houston Chronicle.

GALLERY



Concealed handguns mean less safety

By Kyle Shelton
Daily Texan Guest Columnist

A bill soon to be introduced to the Texas State Legislature would allow for the carrying of concealed handguns on college campuses. Passage would mean taking a dangerous path. Bringing more guns to campus will make it a less safe environment both mentally and physically for students and employees. It will jeopardize the educational mission of the University. It will increase the chances and severity of suicide and domestic violence on campus. And it will make University and city police agencies’ already difficult jobs even harder.

Proponents of concealed weapons argue that if more people have guns, campus crimes could be stopped more quickly, despite the fact that after the September shooting/suicide on UT’s campus, Austin Police Chief Art Acevedo said that more weapons on students would have complicated the already dangerous situation. The pro-concealed-weapon opinion also assumes that those people legally carrying guns on campus possess the knowledge to fully process a threatening situation and use their firearm safely. This knowledge, according to Texas state law, can be imparted to licensees in a single 10-15 hour training course taken upon original licensing and in 4-6 hour refreshers taken every five years when licenses are renewed.

While it could be possible to learn how to make split-second, life-or-death decisions in 10 hours, it seems to me that the only people who should carry guns on this or any campus are the trained professionals of a police force. For example, while in the police academy the men and women of the UT Police Department

must undergo 884 hours of instruction in topics ranging from use of force to assessing dangerous situations. In addition, in order to carry a firearm on duty, they must pass two competency tests per year. This regime seems much more appropriate to qualify for the right to carry — and use — a gun on our campus.

Arguing that a concealed weapon licensee should have the same ability to use a weapon on campus as our police officers would be like arguing that someone trained in a 20-hour first aid course should be allowed to conduct open-heart surgery. There is no comparison between professional law enforcement and amateur armed citizens. And I, for one, prefer that our safety be in the hands of professionals, rather than someone whose training took the same amount of time as a good night’s sleep.

Having guns on a college campus increases the potential for an elevation in gun-related suicides. With new experiences, new relationships and new stresses, undergraduate and graduate students are incredibly susceptible to suicide. According to the CDC, between 2000 and 2007, suicide was the third leading cause of death in people aged 18 to 30, behind only car accidents and homicides. Of the 50,492 fatal suicides during this time period, 25,037 were carried out with firearms. In all suicide attempts, 83 percent of those who attempted suicide with a firearm were successful, compared to 25 percent for falls, and 2 percent for poisoning. Bringing guns onto campus increases the chance that suicidal students will use them, thereby increasing the chance that their attempts will, sadly, be more successful.

In addition to suicide, guns on campus could potentially increase the severity of

domestic violence, especially in cases of violence against women. According to the Department of Justice, women aged 16-24 face more instances of non-fatal intimate partner violence than any other group. Further, homicides are the second leading cause of death for women aged 15-24 and 40-50 percent of those homicides are committed by intimate partners of the victims. Mixing guns with the lives of college students dealing with new relationships and interpersonal challenges creates a dangerous equation and jeopardizes the safety of all members of the campus community.

The bottom line is that colleges and universities are places where young people are dealing with volatile emotions and experiences — often for the first times in their lives. We should be doing all that we can to ensure that those campus members who are struggling in their lives or relationships have access to the support of professionals — and not firearms. We should talk about how future threats could be prevented by using the systems already in place to address the problems faced by those members of our community who are struggling and what more we can do to help them.

The Graduate Student Assembly, Student Government, President Powers and UT-System Chancellor Ciggaraa have expressed their support of the current ban on firearms on college campuses. We each need to think about whether having guns on our campus meshes with our idea of an open and safe educational environment. If you also conclude that guns do not belong on this or any other campus, call your state representative and tell them so.

Shelton is a history graduate student.



Longhorn of the year

The Daily Texan Editorial Board is seeking suggestions for “Longhorn of the Year.” The “Longhorn of the Year” is an individual or group that had the most positive impact on the UT community throughout 2010.

You can suggest a candidate by e-mailing the name of the nominee and a short explanation to firingline@dailytexanonline.com, writing on the wall of the Facebook event page, “Longhorn of the Year” or tweeting us @DTeditorial.

We’ll print finalists later this week and announce our selection on Dec. 8 in the last paper of the semester.

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By Joshua Avelar
Daily Texan Columnist

In the fall of 2008 I was hired as a contributor to The Daily Texan’s now-defunct Burnt Orange Juice blog, a space where I could provide small tidbits about life on campus and what I thought was wrong with the University twice a week. In the summer of 2009, I finally made it in print, effectively taking a pay-cut because now I was only published once a week. Nevertheless, I was absolutely honored to see my byline in this historic and perpetually successful publication.

Being a part of the most powerful and most decorated student newspaper in the nation has been one of the highlights of my time at UT. I never took my columns for granted, sometimes spending hours on search engines at the crack of dawn looking for important issues at UT, around the city, in the state of Texas and in the rest of the higher education world that I felt this wonderful community of students, educators and supporters needed to confront.

There were plenty of people that made my time at The Daily Texan possible, the first of whom was former editor-in-chief Leah Finnegan who opened the door by giving me a chance to shine on Burnt Orange Juice. I am forever grateful to Jillian Sheridan, Jeremy Burchard and my good friend Bobby Cervantes for giving me a chance to be in print and for nurturing my abilities as a columnist throughout their tenure in the basement. I’ve had the pleasure to work with great associate editors in Dan Treadway and Susannah Jacob who always gave me great feedback and made me a better writer by doing so. Also, Dave Player, Douglas Luippold, Lauren Winchester, Emily Grubert, Calvin Sloan and now Mikael Garcia inspired me to step up and become a better columnist because of the great work they put into the opinion page either as editors or fellow columnists.

It saddens me to leave UT, and thus the opinion page, especially at a time when a dark cloud of uncertainty looms over the future of this great University I have called home for the last three

years. The Dallas Morning News reports that the Texas Legislature will confront a \$25 billion budget shortfall, and Gov. Rick Perry has not been the least bit bashful about his plans to swing the axe at higher education to deal with the crisis.

I wish President William Powers Jr. and Texas A&M President Bowen Loftin the best in garnering support for the only public Tier 1 universities in the state. Higher education is one of the most valuable assets to any community, and for a place as big and full of great human resources as Texas, the people and its government must support these important institutions to the fullest. The Orange & Maroon: Together for Texans campaign aims to make higher education the top priority, as it should be, after seeing 41 percent of the state’s budget reductions, even though it only accounts for 12.5 percent of the budget. Higher education cuts have been disproportionate amidst the budget crisis in Texas. The campaign’s website reports that every state dollar spent on UT or A&M returns \$18 to the state’s economy every year — a

worthy investment for this great state that legislators must realize this coming spring.

Perhaps the most important part of this campaign is the reaction from the alumni — and soon-to-be alumni such as myself — of these great institutions. Public pressure from both alumni bases in the Legislature this coming year needs to be harsh and swift. The higher education budget crisis trumps any concerns UT alumni have over our abysmal football season or the A&M alumni’s concern over their sheep’s ornery nature this time of year — or whatever it is they worry about over in College Station.

Higher education in this state needs to be saved and fully supported, and that message is the most important one that I could give to the readers of this great publication as I say goodbye to the flagship university of the great state of Texas. Farewell, Daily Texan readers.

Avelar is government and journalism senior who will graduate in December.

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HIV: Event educates on safe sex practices

From page 1

“People are learning the social and cultural issues surrounding HIV/AIDS and doing something about it, knowing their own status and empowering societies and communities abroad all in one building, right here at UT,” he said.

Sixty students came to receive testing last year, Pattisapu said, while 126 students received free HIV testing and results on Wednesday.

“This has been our biggest World AIDS Day ever,” he said. “We’re getting more people in on the cause and getting students more interested on how they can make a difference around the world.”

Free testing will continue today in the Union.

A panel in the Union discussed representations of AIDS in the media through films such as “Yesterday.” The 2004 film is the

first full-length film in the Zulu language and tells the story of an African woman who contracts the disease, said Neville Hoad, an associate English professor.

In September, Men’s Health

“This has been our biggest World AIDS day ever.”

— Naveen Pattisapu

President of the Austin Chapter of Face AIDS

magazine ranked the city of Austin first on a list of “Sex Happy” cities based on an analysis of condom sales, birth rates and

STD rates.

Syphilis is one STD on the rise in the city of Austin, said Wright House peer educator Ruben Caceres who worked in the HIV testing results room in the Union. AIDS Services of Austin has estimated that 6,000 people are living with HIV and AIDS in Central Texas.

“If you have that kind of activity going on in the city there is going to be a higher risk to contract HIV/AIDS and other STDs,” he said. “If you’re having any kind of sexual activity or intercourse, you should be tested.”

Any kind of sexual activity can lead to AIDS, he said, and practicing safe sex to protect oneself from the disease should be a top priority.

“Whether you’re a female or a male, it depends on your own personal responsibility of having a condom each and every time you have any kind of intercourse,” Caceres said.



Mylan Torres | Daily Texan Staff

Kinsolving South housekeeping crew leader Yolanda Esquivel looks at the cards that were written by students for Staff Appreciation Day hosted by the Orange Jackets at the Gregory Gym Plaza.

Campus group encourages students to thank UT staff

By Destinee Hodge
Daily Texan Staff

Students wrote thank-you notes in exchange for hot chocolate and other treats at the first Campus Support Staff Appreciation Day on Wednesday.

The Orange Jackets hosted the event, which aimed to fill a niche other appreciation days do not cover, said marketing/business honors junior Erica Brody, who is also the organization’s vice president of special events. The appreciation day targeted workers in custodial and facilities services, Information Technology Services, the UT Police Department and any department that serves an ancillary function at the University.

Brody said the event recognized them because their work often goes unnoticed.

“We sort of take for granted what they do,” she said.

The organization set up tables

on Gregory Plaza furnished with cookies, chocolate, candy canes and hot cocoa. Some of the snacks had notes attached to them.

Many employees stopped by to enjoy the food provided by the group.

“It’s really a positive, it feels really great,” said building attendant Mary Villarreal. “It feels like we’re appreciated.”

Throughout the day, students came by to write personal notes of gratitude. They pinned them onto a Christmas tree the group erected near the tables.

“It’s what happens behind the scenes that people don’t really see,” said government sophomore Angelica Flores. “It’s the people who work behind the scenes who don’t really get credit for this stuff.”

Shreeya Popat, a Plan II and pre-med junior, said Brody came up with the idea after meeting a university worker in one of the dorms

who worked at least six days a week to support her family while also studying to get her GED.

Brody said the employee was always enthusiastic about working with the students, and the students should return the favor.

“We’re going to take all the notes off and deliver them to the staff so they can hang them up and put them up on their wall and realize that they are appreciated,” Popat said.

Brody said the organization contacted all of the managers throughout the Division of Housing and Food Service and other facility entities within the University to let employees know about the event.

The group hopes to make it an annual event and to get other student organizations involved.

“We want to work with other student organizations to make it a larger and more far-reaching event,” Brody said.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Texas routs Cardinals in sloppy victory



Mylan Torres | Daily Texan Staff

Texas forward Jordan Hamilton shoots over Lamar guard Anthony Miles during Texas' win on Wednesday. Hamilton finished the game with 16 points.

By Dan Hurwitz
Daily Texan Staff
The ball clanking off the rim, the referee's whistle and the thump of bodies hitting the floor were the most notable noises that echoed throughout the Frank Erwin Center on Wednesday. A sloppy 76-55 win for the Longhorns over Lamar looked at times as if it were a pickup game at Gregory Gym. Missed shots, stupid

fouls and off-target passes tarnished the 21-point win — head coach Rick Barnes' 300th as a Longhorn. But that didn't concern Barnes much, as defense was the only thing worked on during the last two days of practice. "You might think I'm crazy when I say this, but we are going to be OK offensively," Barnes said. He knows that because

his biggest offensive weapon, Jordan Hamilton, can still score 16 points despite a five for 15 day from the field. While this may be considered a bad game for Hamilton, Barnes had nothing but praise for the sophomore. "Tonight, he came out and did as well as he has since he has been here on the defensive end," Barnes said. LAMAR continues on page 8

Horns struggle again on offense

By Will Anderson
Daily Texan Staff
Prior to the season, head coach Rick Barnes didn't promise his team would be pretty, he promised they would win games — he followed through on that prediction with Wednesday's 21-point win over Lamar. "Nothing about it was pretty," Barnes said. "We're better than that, we real-

ly are. It was sloppy. We knew we were sloppy with it." For the second straight game, Texas struggled early against a zone defense. And for the second straight game, a pesky but poor-shooting opponent kept up with the Longhorns for an entire half in the Erwin Center. ZONE continues on page 8

VOLLEYBALL

Grad student adds depth to injury-plagued team

By Shabab Siddiqui
Daily Texan Staff
The Longhorn's season-long injury problems were enough for the selection committee to pin the team with a No. 9 seed in the NCAA Tournament, citing a lack of depth. But having a player like senior outside hitter Lauren Dickson on the roster makes depth less of a pressing concern for the Horns. While the fifth-year senior's journey has been anything but conventional,

her ability to step onto the court and perform at a moment's notice may be crucial to the team's success in the playoffs. "It's critical," head coach Jerrett Elliott said. "We've had so many injuries, and Lauren has a really good volleyball IQ. She brings a lot of knowledge to the court, and she's a nice player." Dickson arrived at Texas after four years at Virginia, where she was the captain

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Mylan Torres | Daily Texan file photo

Senior outside hitter Lauren Dixon was team MVP last year at Virginia and has filled in nicely this year for Texas.

MEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

All-American takes after older sister

By Lauren Giudice
Daily Texan Staff
Although Drew Livingston recalls throwing a metal toy at his sister's face when he was a kid, that violence does not define their relationship. Jessica Livingston, who graduated from UT in 2008, and Drew have both been recognized as all-American divers at Texas. Jessica Livingston was the 2007 NCAA platform diving champion, and Drew Livingston was the 2009 NCAA 1-meter diving champion. Drew Livingston began diving when he was 6 years old because his mother brought him along to take Jessica to the pool. "At the time, my sister was 10 and she had been doing gymnastics and started diving," Drew Livingston said. "I was the little kid who got dragged to the pool and had to watch her and not do anything. I started taking lessons, and I just stuck with it ever since then." Although most older siblings would be upset that their little brother was copying them, Jessica Livingston was glad to have her brother in the same sport.

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Longhorn diver Drew Livingston attempts one of his dives during practice.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING & DIVING

Dallas native making a splash at UT

By Sara Beth Purdy
Daily Texan Staff
Laura Sogar is a nationally known swimmer and one of the Longhorns' best. However, the decision to begin swimming was not one that she made for herself — she credits her parents with that decision. "My parents chose [swimming]

for me so I wouldn't drown," Sogar said. "We had a backyard pool and they wanted me to be safe in it." Originally born in Dallas, Sogar relocated with her family to Rhode Island where her swimming career began. In high school she was named Rhode Island Female Swimmer of the Year, an NIS-CA all-American, and in 2008 was

named USA Swimming Scholastic all-American. When the time came for her to commit to a college, Sogar returned home to Texas for the high-profile athletic and academic environments. While many swimmers set records later in the season after

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SIDELINE

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Lamar Cardinals vs. Texas Longhorns
Lamar 55 Texas 76

WHAT TO WATCH

NFL Football
Houston Texans vs. Philadelphia Eagles
Date: Tonight
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18	Florida
19	Texas
20	Illinois
21	Brigham Young
22	Purdue
23	Washington
24	UNLV
25	Notre Dame

SPORTS BRIEFLY

Tyrell Higgins # 93

Position: Defensive Tackle
Height / Weight: 6'-3" / 285 lbs.
Class: Junior
Hometown: Schertz, TX

Defensive tackle leaves team on Wednesday for second time

Junior defensive tackle Tyrell Higgins has left the football team by mutual agreement with the coaching staff, the Austin American-Statesman reported Wednesday. Higgins appeared in eight games for the Longhorns this season, but didn't see action in their last four. Higgins amassed three solo tackles and one tackle for loss this season, with his last tackle coming in a 20-13 win over Nebraska.

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LAMAR: Joseph leads UT in points, rebounds

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Hamilton has been looking to improve on his defense, and over the past couple days he shined the most. His performance in practice was rewarded on Wednesday as he played the entire game.

“There were times when I got tired, but I’m just thankful for media timeouts,” Hamilton said.

The offense’s struggles against a zone defense continued as they were never able to put together any offensive rhythm. Despite having four players scoring in double figures, they missed layups and converted only five of 18 three-point attempts.

Cory Joseph was the Longhorns’ biggest offensive weapon, scoring 16 points and adding nine

rebounds and four assists. Joseph had troubles at the earlier in the season with his shot, but as of late he has started making more, including connecting on three of six three-pointers on Wednesday.

“When they collapse, they get the perimeter guys open looks, so that’s how I’ve been able to get into a rhythm and knock them down,” Joseph said.

The Longhorns’ season-high 23 turnovers plagued them as bad passes were thrown out of bounds, good passes were mishandled, offensive fouls were committed and players were accidentally stepping out of bounds.

Luckily for Texas, the Cardinals suffered from the same problems, as they had multiple traveling violations in addition to the same

troubles holding on to the ball.”

Lamar was unable to capitalize on the Texas turnovers and could barely make a shot, hitting only 25 percent from the field and 11 percent for three.

“I think it’s a reflection on their defense,” Lamar head coach Steve Roccaforte said about his team’s poor shooting night.

Entering Wednesday’s game, the Cardinals averaged 96 points a game, but were unable to make many shots.

Lamar took an early 11-6 lead, but Texas followed it with a 14-2 run to obtain a lead that they would not lose. Another 14-2 run to open the second half secured the game for the Longhorns who will next face USC on Sunday.

DEFENSE: Turnovers mar lopsided win

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“They’re a hard cover man-to-man,” said Lamar head coach Steve Roccaforte. “I knew coming in we could not match up with them man-to-man, I knew that. I wanted to give our guys the best opportunity to win the game. That’s what we did, we put a game plan together to try to zone press them.”

Last Saturday versus Rice, a matchup zone defense made Texas shoot from the perimeter. Wednesday against Lamar, the Longhorns elected to move the ball inside and ended up turning it over 23 times as the Cardinals crowded the lanes and forced cross-court passes.

The problem wasn’t the zone, but rather the Longhorns’ offensive miscues and inability to beat

the defense with ball movement.

“We wanted to flow more into our offense, which we didn’t do,” Barnes said. “We should’ve passed it from half-court ... We could’ve made the pass to the middle and passed out of that.”

Barnes blamed the offensive clumsiness on a week of practice focused on defense. On that side of things, Texas took care of business, holding Lamar to under 26 percent shooting from the field. But the most glaring features of the game were the Longhorns’ forced passes and balls bobbled out of bounds.

The team’s biggest offenders in that regard were Cory Joseph and Jai Lucas, who finished with five turnovers each.

“I feel that we didn’t execute the way we wanted to today,” Joseph said. “That’s why they caused a lot

of turnovers.”

Texas made 15 assists for a turnover ratio of -8, the team’s worst of the season.

“The most concerning thing is, I think the guards had 18 of them,” Barnes said about turnovers against the Cardinals. “Some of them were, again, just over-dribbling.”

Coming into last night’s matchup, Lamar had not played zone defense all season. But after watching the Rice game, Roccaforte decided to employ the tactic to try and slow down the Texas offense. Turns out his decision worked.

“I got my degree from Lamar and I tried to use it going into this game,” he joked.

The Longhorns are hoping no one else catches on.

DIXON: Hitter using skills on and off court

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and MVP her senior year. After graduating with a business degree, she was accepted into Texas’ Masters in Professional Accounting program. Because of an ankle injury during her sophomore year, Dickson was granted a medical redshirt waiver.

Dickson has been used primarily as a serving specialist, subbing in for one play per rotation. She said she has had fun trying to find a new role, while still competing every day in practice.

“Learning a new role is sometimes challenging, but

it’s been good to try to figure out how I can contribute to the team differently than I may have contributed to my Virginia team,” Dickson said.

Dickson’s work in practice paid off, as she was thrust into the rotation after an injury to junior Amber Roberson.

Senior Jennifer Doris said Dickson’s experience and defense have been a boon for the team.

“Lauren’s a great player,” Doris said. “At Texas we say you never know when your number is going to be called, and for her to step up means a lot to us.”

Being a graduate student-athlete has its own challenges, as Dickson has to balance playing volleyball with finding a job.

“I think [recruiters] like seeing you’re an athlete,” Dickson said. “A huge thing is time management and being able to handle everything.”

She said while she misses some aspects of Virginia — such as having four distinct seasons — she’s glad to be back.

“I go home every Sunday and do laundry and just kind of hang out with my parents,” Dickson said. “It’s definitely good to be home.”

SOGAR: Tweak in technique adds confidence

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many months of productive training, Sogar has already surpassed many expectations. Not only has she broken the school record for the 200-yard breaststroke twice this fall, but she has established herself as one of the top — if not the top — breaststroke swimmers in the country. In addition to it being her best event, the 200-yard breaststroke is also her favorite.

“I like it because I know how to swim it. I know how to race it,” Sogar said, “I can hold my speed at it. You [also] get to breathe every stroke, which is nice. I like to breathe.”

Sogar credits her increase in speed this semester to her growing strength and endurance, in addition to a change she made in her technique over the summer. These changes have proven to be successful as she was named a National Swimmer of the Week in October as a result of her consecutive school records in the 200-yard breaststroke.

“I was able to hold more water up in front,” Sogar said of her new technique. “[Able to] be more streamlined and get through the water easier.”

Despite participating in a physically taxing sport, her competitive nature and great relationships with her fellow teammates keep Sogar



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Sophomore Laura Sogar was named National Swimmer of the Week in October after setting school records in the 200-yard breaststroke.

swimming. She and her teammates realize that the soreness is a result of improvement and view each grueling practice as preparation for a future competition.

Sogar’s success extends beyond Texas, becoming a contender on the national stage. At the age of 17, Sogar competed against some of the fastest swimmers in the world at the 2008 U.S. Olympic trials. She came in 8th in the prelims and was able to compete in the final round of that competition. Currently she is preparing for the 2012 Olympic trials in hopes of accompanying the U.S. Olympic team to London for

the next summer games.

“It’s just a great experience to get used to that kind of competition; that really high profile, really fast [competition],” Sogar said, “It was really overwhelming, but really fun. It prepared me well for competitions after that.”

Sogar is confident that her diligent training will help propel her throughout the next semester and into the NCAA National Championship Meet hosted in Austin next March.

“Laura is just so talented,” said head coach Kim Brackin. “She has trained really well. She is fit, and she is confident.”

DIVING: Livingston motivated by family, sibling

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“He did pretty much every sport available,” she said. “He tried baseball, basketball and soccer. My parents asked him if he wanted to try diving and he ended up really liking it, and he eventually began excelling well beyond what I have done.”

Drew Livingston always appreciated her help on the mental side of swimming.

“It was cool having an older sibling who had been through everything that I was going through,” he said. “Whenever I had a bad meet, she would tell me how I should feel and how to get over it.”

Although their parents Robert and Janine Livingston did not dive, they were very supportive of both Drew and Jessica.

“I can’t thank them enough for driving me to practice every day when I was younger, paying for all the trips and sacrificing vacations so we could go to diving meets,” Drew Livingston said.

Their parents let them try various activities and told them that they could choose whatever sport they wanted. In addition, they helped both kids get through tough times.

“It is really hard when you are younger because it is tough to get motivated because you don’t have that internal drive that you eventually get when you are older,” Jessica Livingston said.

Both Jessica and Drew Livingston’s parents were ecstatic when Drew told them about his decision to go to Texas. Drew told Jessica his decision by sending her an e-mail with a picture of himself wearing UT gear.

“I was thrilled. I knew that he always liked UT, but you never know where someone is going to end up eventually going to college,” Jessica Livingston said. “He was looking at a bunch of really good schools.”

After his coach, she was the first person he told about his decision.

“She was just yelling through

the phone,” Drew Livingston said. “That was probably the happiest part of the whole recruiting process — hearing how excited she was.”

Jessica Livingston introduced him to Texas, and seeing her at practice every day made him feel more comfortable.

“It was nice because we used to dive together before my high school days, so it was kind of cool to have that connection for one more year before she retired,” Drew Livingston said.

The siblings, the only ones in their family, have always gotten along and the incident with the metal toy was the only time Drew can remember them fighting. Jessica Livingston is currently an assistant coach at Alabama and is getting her MBA there. The two got to see each other at Thanksgiving last weekend.

“We don’t get to see each other as much as we used to, and it was really cool having the whole family back together for Thanksgiving,” Drew Livingston said.

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By DAVID OUELLET

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Night Tales: Summer Yellow and the Six Gnomes

By Sammy

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HA HA HA HA HA HA

S-sir Raccoon!

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Why are you here?!

Can I not greet you with a simple meeting?

My, you seem lively today, my Queen...

I've convinced them that Elyse is their true enemy! I'm sure they will both finish each other off!

So tell me...

Were you able to... "take care" of our two guests?

Oh, I did more than that, sir!

...Do you know how I reward failure...?

W-wait! Please, sir, give me another chance...

...I'm disappointed in you. I leave you this simple task, and you've failed me...

Thump!

...Humpty, would you be so kind to clean this mess for me? I have other matters to attend to...

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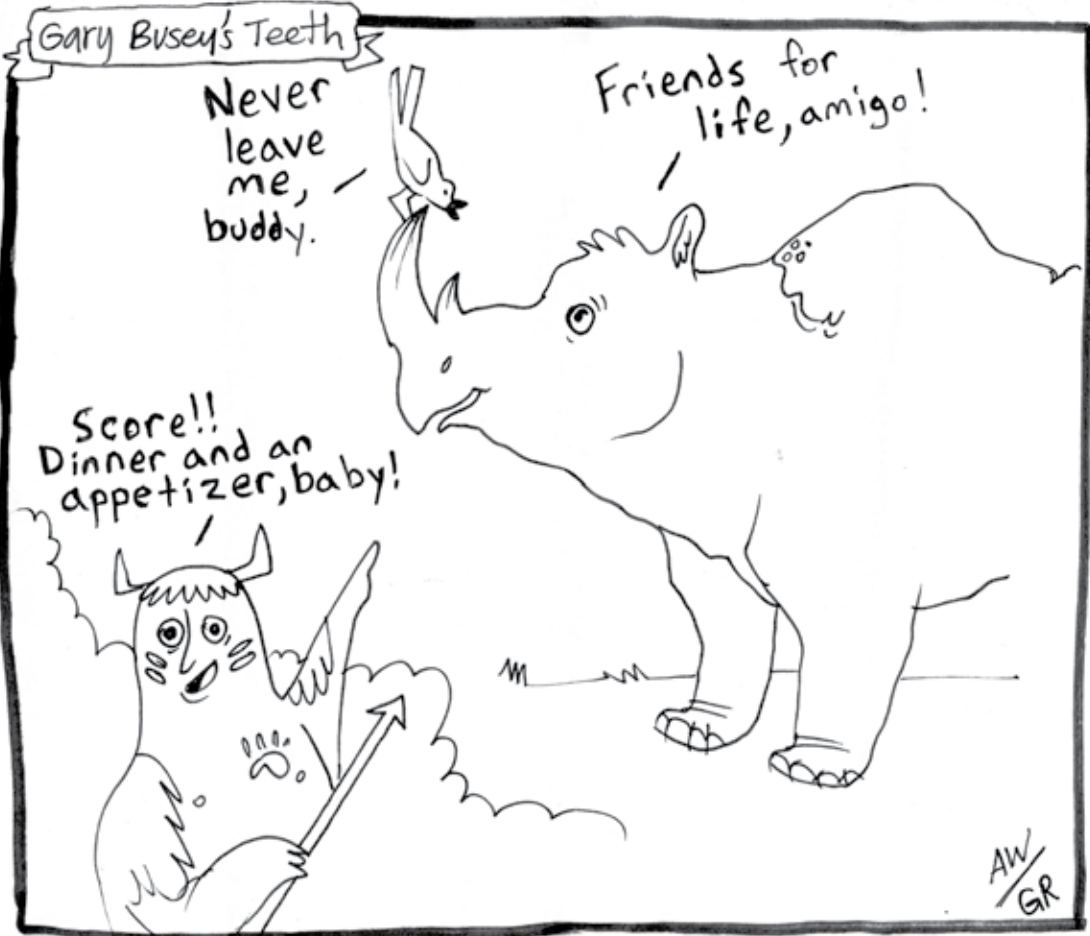
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The New York Times Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 1028

Across

1 Bucko

4 Berlin cry

7 George Washington and others

14 Burning issue

15 ___ Greene, "The Godfather" gangster

16 "The poison of life," per Bronte's Rochester

17 With 27- and 35-Across, a Halloween riddle

19 Set apart

20 Online store option

21 "Punk'd" cable channel

22 Club for swingers

23 Bar, at the bar

25 Poet's Muse

27 See 17-Across

32 Coral reef dwellers

33 Prefix with comic

34 Check out

35 See 17-Across

38 Be sociable

41 Bottled spirit

42 Go for the gold?

43 With 60-Across, answer to the riddle

48 Soft drink brand

49 Fresh

50 Seat holders

51 Italian TV channel

54 Sniffer's supply

58 Bibliophile's concern

60 See 43-Across

61 Dovetail with

62 "Tell ___ story"

63 New York or Wisconsin, in D.C.

64 Yankee manager who wore #37

65 African menace

66 Base ___

Down

1 Bryn ___ College

2 "Off the Court" autobiographer

3 Elaine ___ George W. Bush's only labor secretary

4 In the center of

5 Math groups

6 Be told about

7 Spilling point

8 Staff symbol

9 "That issue is in the past"

10 Capital of the U.S.?

11 Reach for rudely

12 What you will

13 Mind

18 Lock

24 QBs, often

26 Kia model

27 "Whaddaya know!"

28 "Whaddaya know!"

29 Ring cry

30 Sign of a winner

31 Bomber pilot in "Catch-22"

35 Pre-election activity

36 Chemical suffix

37 "My dear fellow"

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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Puzzle by David J. Kahn

38 War stat

39 Barnard's ___ locale in "Great Expectations"

40 Crossed (out)

41 Understood

42 Debbie who won three swimming gold medals at the 1968 Olympics

43 Picaroon

44 Like some job training

45 Washington city, river or tribe

46 Nurses take these

47 Top-of-the-world topper

48 Feudal domains

52 Learning method

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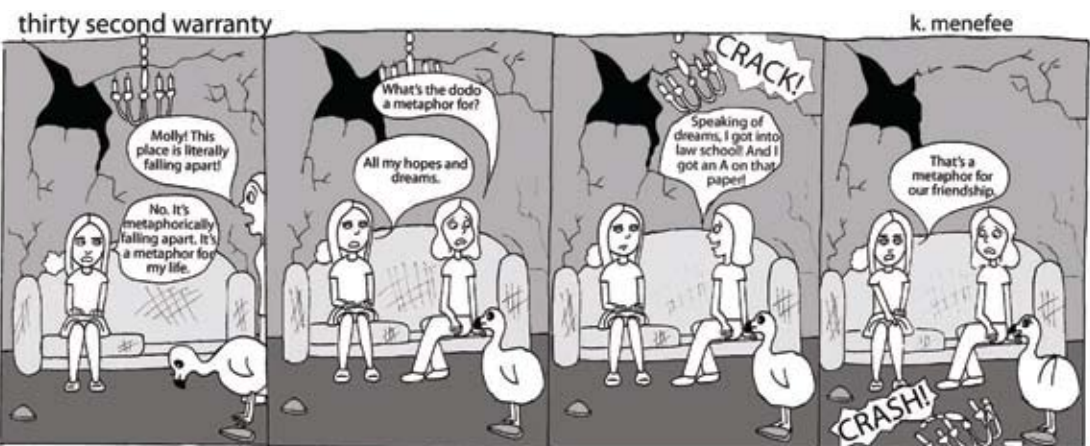
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56 Projecting edge

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WHAT: Opal Divine's Whiskey Festival
WHEN: Tonight, 7 - 10 p.m.
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WEB: opaldivines.com

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WHAT: Blue Genie Art Bazaar
WHEN: Tonight, 10 p.m.
WHERE: The Marchesa Hall & Theatre
WEB: bluegenieartbazaar.com

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The Salvage Vanguard Theater's "The Holidays are Terrible with Sarah 7," mocks all that is deemed festive to most, that is truly just plain annoying for all of the scrooges of the holiday season. Sip on free egg nog while ColdTowne Theater's all-woman improv troupe pokes fun at drunk and awkward family members, tacky holiday sweaters and all of the ridiculousness that comes with the season.

WHAT: The Holidays are Terrible with Sarah 7
WHEN: Friday, 11:30 p.m.
WHERE: Salvage Vanguard Theater, 2803 Manor Rd.
WEB: salvagevanguard.org

Step up

It's that time of year again, the time for all of Austin to step up to the stage and showcase their stepping abilities. The Epsilon Iota Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. will hold its annual Non-Greek Stepshow this Saturday featuring acts from UT students and faculty along with talent from colleges and high schools across the state. First place is \$1,000 and second place is \$500. Along with the main attraction, the event will also have an after party in downtown Austin. As the Alphas would say, "Step up or get the boot."

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Student turns stamp medley into earrings

By Lindsey Cherner
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Holding a stamp between her index finger and thumb, undeclared freshman Katie McMurray described how it is a tiny replica of a much larger, abstract Hungarian painting, and said it would be a waste to throw it away. That's why, instead of scrapping the postage artwork that many people overlook, she turns them into jewelry.

"These are not just cute fashion earrings but more like a little piece of history," McMurray said.

At 5 years old McMurray began collecting stamps, but it wasn't until she was cleaning out her room in high school that she noticed how large her collection had become.

"I had a lot of duplicates, and a majority of them were from Asian countries," McMurray said. "I just wanted to do something with them, so I began [making earrings] for myself, and people immediately complimented them."

After making 15 sets, she took her earrings to the Cottonwood Art Festival in Richardson, where they sold out within two hours. Shortly after, her talents were recognized when the The Sixth Floor Museum in Dallas decided to display 30 sets of her Kennedy-themed pieces.

"It's amazing that one girl has that much talent to think of this idea and profit from it," said biology freshman Emily Fishman. "Every time I'm around her, people will comment on them and say how cool they are."

After pairing stamps together, McMurray laminates, cuts and, using pliers, places them on earring hoops and tightens them.

"I had always made beaded necklaces," McMurray said. "I just experimented and tried and it worked, but now that I think about it, I had an idea in my mind about how I could make them before I started."



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Freshman Katie McMurray creates original stamp earrings in her dorm room at the University Towers. McMurray, who collected stamps as a child, began making her childhood hobby into jewelry last year.

McMurray searches eBay to purchase stamps in bulk; however, she often will just cut them directly off her personal mail when she stumbles across a particularly beautiful one. In this case, she tears off the stamp, soaks it in warm water for a few hours, and the stamp will have either already lifted from the paper or be easy to pull off.

"You can find any stamp imaginable — cars, breast cancer [awareness], flowers — you can really reach any demographic," McMurray said. "Wherever it takes me, I'm good."

After contemplating the business aspect of her stamp earrings, McMurray has decided on a small range in price with the cheapest starting out at \$5 and the rarest stamps, such as those featuring Marilyn Monroe and Elvis Presley, typically costing closer to \$15 a pair. Almost all stamps have the year they were made, and they come from all over the world, so many customers find connections between the stamps and their life experiences.

"I could really reach any clientele, and that's why I like it," McMurray said. "Every stamp

is so unique."

McMurray works alone in her jewelry making and she doesn't have a website. Since there has to be two of the same stamp or at least two stamps that are similar, it would be a waste of time for her to put up pictures of each pair of earrings because once the pair has been bought it's unlikely there's another pair like it. For this reason all of her advertisement comes from word-of-mouth and when people see her wearing stamps from around the world dangling from her ears.

"[Katie] would bring [her earrings] to class a lot," Fishman said. "I first heard about them when I actually saw her wearing them."

McMurray has found a use for a small, sticky square that many people take for granted and turned it into an entirely new art form. With some time and attention to detail she has created a new fashion that's proven itself a success.

"They're so easy to clip off of envelopes," McMurray said. "Why throw them away when they look so pretty?"

Moonshine popular despite risks

THIRSTY THURSDAY
By Gerald Rich

Back in the 1800s, illegally distilling your own alcohol was like the Four Loko of the time; the flavors might be a bit off and the health risks were definitely high, but it was the cheapest way to get drunk because it wasn't taxed.

But unlike Four Loko, health risks of home distilled alcohol could include blindness, paralysis or even death.

One of the first illegally brewed alcohols was a kind of apple brandy known as applejack, according to Daniel Barnes, owner of Austin's Graham Barnes Distilling. Ethanol, the only drinkable alcohol, has a lower freezing point than water. So jackers, as they were known, used to make an applewine mix by fermenting apples (letting yeast bacteria eat the sugary starches to produce ethanol), freezing that and then



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pouring off the liquid containing more alcohol.

Some beer home-brewers and craft beer makers use the same freeze distillation to get their beers around 30-percent alcohol by volume. Scotland's BrewDog made their notorious "The End of History" beer this past summer like that and got it to a re-

cord-breaking 55-percent alcohol by volume.

Even more infamous than applejack is moonshine. Also known as white lightning, rotgut, hooch, mountain dew or sweet spirits of cats a-fightin', moonshine is labeled as such

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Dancers interpret personal growth, human synergism

By Sarah Pressley
Daily Texan Staff

In the beginning, people feel alone and unsure of themselves. As they age and grow, they interact and form relationships. As they connect with other people and with themselves, they become happier and more confident.

This is the story of the dancers in the Kathy Dunn Hamrick Dance Company's new show, "Here. Me. Now." "Here. Me. Now," set to music by Austin band Balmorhea, will debut tonight at the Salvage Vanguard Theater. The show centers around human interactions and relationships and how those relationships shape the people we become.

"Early on you feel like you're the center of the universe, and when you realize you're not, you're upset," said Kathy Dunn Hamrick, the artistic director for the Kathy Dunn Hamrick Dance Company. "Eventually you become comfortable with knowing you are not, and you become comfortable with who you are. Along the way, it's all those personal human interactions

and relationships that really help us become the people we are and who we hope to be."

To show this, the dancers all begin by dancing solos and gradually come together to interact. As they progress, some of them continue to dance in duos or trios while others remain alone, but with more confidence in themselves. Hamrick enjoys portraying these sorts of messages with modern dance because it allows her to focus on concepts through dancing, rather than utilizing a narrative. This gives her more creative freedom while leaving room open for interpretation by the audience.

Hamrick hopes that in an age of technology, we continue to value these real-life relationships instead of replacing them with online inter-

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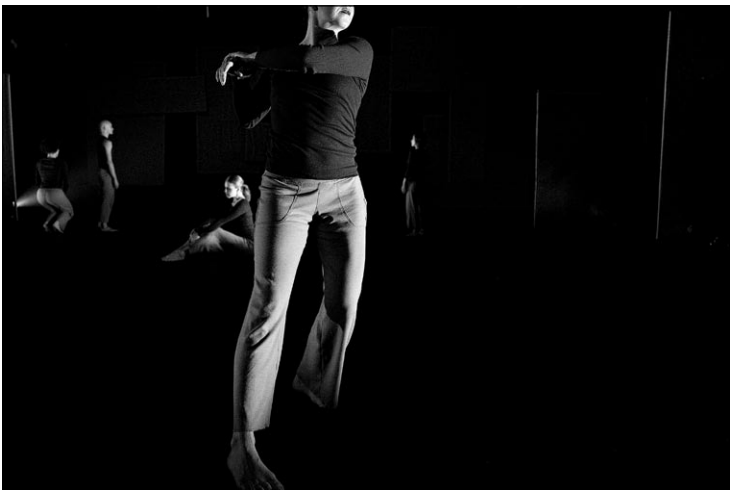
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Roxy Gage dances in Kathy Dunn Hamrick Dance Company's show, "Here. Me.Now." The show will debut tonight at the Salvage Vanguard Theater.

DANCE: Production gets crowd offline, rouses interaction

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action and digital communication. "You can sit alone in front of a computer and interact with people, but we aren't really developing relationships," Hamrick said. "I'm making a commentary on the value of real-life physical connections and relationships." Seeing this lack of interaction around her coupled with a desire to bring people together inspired Hamrick to create "Here.Me.Now." "In any theatrical experience, part of what makes it so special is that you come together and you are with other people experiencing something at the same time," Hamrick said. "[I want] people to go offline for a few minutes and go somewhere and be with other people and to remind them how important our interactions are. Whether those relationships

are lengthy and meaningful or fleeting, all of those are important in shaping us into confident, mature, healthy people." Hamrick appreciates the openness of the production to interpretation. "Twenty people can come see the show and 20 people are going to walk out with 20 different interpretations, and I love that," Hamrick said. "Here.Me.Now" was created as a collaboration between Hamrick, associate director Kate Warren and six of the dancers in the company. Hamrick wanted to give everyone a chance to express themselves. "We make those connections [with other people] because we want to be heard," Hamrick said. "We want people to hear what we have to say. We want to feel validated and important. I wanted to give that opportunity to the dancers in the company."

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Artistic director

MOON: Brewing tricks help alleviate danger

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because it was made in the dead of night by the light of the moon to avoid being caught. TLC Network's cooking site breaks down the process and attributes this lawlessness to "the American people, who had just fought a war to get out from under oppressive British taxes" not wanting to pay a tax on their drink. Many of these disgruntled individuals, mostly up in the Appalachian Mountains, continued to make their own whiskey and moonshine. Initially, moonshine was unaged whiskey made at home. The process of fermenting grains or corn for their initial mash and then distilling it is the same. Distillation is simply boiling that mix to collect just the pure ethanol alcohol that boiled off. The result is similar to Everclear — around 190 proof or nearly 100-percent alcohol by volume. It's drinkable but comes with a savage alcohol burn because it's so pure. In fact, that's roughly how ethanol biofuels are produced now to provide an alternative fuel source.

Nowadays though, if you're looking to make your own drinking liquor, you can look at sites such as wikiHow and see that really any starchy or sugary base can be used. "A lot of the whiskey made now uses big, beefed-up sugary bio-corn," Barnes said about legal distillers. "The higher alcohol content you end up with depends upon the higher gravity or sugar concentrations you have in the beginning." But before you throw on some overalls and start calling yourself a moonshiner, there are major health risks involved with brewing your own high-proof booze. According to a local home brewer of beer who wished to remain anonymous, snafus

can happen when moonshiners don't understand all of the science that's involved. "There are several different types of alcohol that you'll get [from the distillation process]," said the home brewer. "That's where the whole idea that moonshine can leave you blind came from. It's really the different alcohols that you're worried about." The brewer went on to note that when the liquor is first boiled, drinkable ethanol is not the first alcohol that will come off of the mash. The head of the moonshine batch, as it's called by brewers, can be filled with pungent fusel oils and blindness-inducing methanol. One old moonshiner solution is to throw away the first bit and use a "thump keg" to catch and filter the condensate. Another problem is lead getting into the mix if a car radiator was used to boil the mash or lead

pipes were used. This prompted the old adage "if it burns red, you're dead" or any variation of that since lead burns red and alcohols burn blue. Other illegal distillers looking to make a profit often add other alcohol adulterants to their brew that keep the proof up while keeping their costs low. Currently one of the most notorious liquors like that is African chang'aa. Mixing anything from formaldehyde to jet fuel, the bottom line of making chang'aa is to make something that will get you the most plastered. Unfortunately, each year hundreds of people die from consuming chang'aa because the brewers want to give the drinker the wildest experience. "Chang'aa owes its popularity to hard times," wrote Marc Lacey for the New York Times in 2005. "Name-brand liquors are too pricey for many down-

and-out Kenyans. The alternative is a cheap homemade concoction mixed in large vats and sold on the sly to those in search of a heady escape." But for many moonshiners back in the states, brewing moonshine is simply a part of their heritage. Watch any number of YouTube clips of old, bearded Southerners cooking up moonshine and you'll see how it has become a family tradition. "Every time people would come up to play music at the house, they'd bring a jar of liquor with them. Make music all night long — banjo, guitar, fiddle," said famous moonshiner Marvin "Popcorn" Sutton in his documentary "The Last One." "[Mom] would get her little pint jar, and they would ask her if she could give them some of that liquor like it was medicine, and of course she would."



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